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RUSSIA INVESTIGATION

Sessions denies lying



Attorney General Jeff Sessions testified Tuesday before the House Judiciary Committee as a photo was shown of a meeting that Sessions attended during the campaign with George Papadopoulos, in which Papadopoulos is reported to have talked of his meetings with Russians.

Al Drago/The New York Times

Prior omissions stemmed from memory lapses, he testifies

FROM WIRE REPORTS

WASHINGTON — U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions denied Tuesday that he deliberately misled Congress about the Trump campaign's contacts with Russia, saying he forgot that two aides had told him about their

SESSIONS as write-in candidate for Senate seat? **6A**
Q&A: Uranium One deal fuels GOP's Clinton accusations. **12A**

meetings with Russian government officials during the 2016 race.

In an often-contentious House Judiciary Committee hearing, Sessions sparred for more than five hours with both Democrats, who faulted him for changing his story each time he has testified under oath before Congress, and some Republicans, who pushed him to appoint a sec-

ond special counsel to investigate Hillary Clinton.

Sessions grew visibly angry at times, insisting again and again that he "always told the truth" as he recalled it, even as he confirmed for the first time that

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CHILDREN'S HEALTH

One in 5 kids live in poverty

Report offers sobering numbers for Dallas, Collin, Denton county youths

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One in five children in North Texas live in poverty, with more than 260,000 kids in the area considered food insecure, according to a biennial study released Tuesday from Children's Health and the University of Texas-Dallas.

The 97-page report — "Beyond ABC" — offered a comprehensive look at the well-being of children in Dallas County and its five northern neighbors: Collin, Cooke, Denton, Grayson and Fannin counties.

"The challenges aren't going away," said Timothy Bray, the director of the Institute of Urban Policy Research at UT-Dallas, and one of the authors of the report.

Focused on four indicators — health, economic security, safety and education — the findings were sobering.

Included in the report:
■ The rates of uninsured children in Dallas, Cooke, Fannin and Grayson counties were double the national average.

■ Texas ranks last in per-capita funding for mental illness.

■ For single parents earning a poverty wage, early child-care costs could account for nearly half their income.

■ In Fannin County, Child Protective Services caseloads were more than double the state average, with 50.3 cases per caseworker in 2016.

■ North Texas has less than half as many approved foster homes (1,244) as children

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CALIFORNIA

Gunman kills 4 in rural rampage

Shooter targeted random people before being killed by police

FROM WIRE REPORTS

RANCHO TEHAMA RESERVE, Calif. — A neighborhood dispute turned into the nation's latest mass shooting when

a gunman killed four people and wounded 10 others, choosing most of his victims at random in a rampage Tuesday that spread to an elementary school in this rural community 115 miles north of Sacramento, authorities said.

The spree, which ranged over several locations and injured

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Rich Pedroncelli/The Associated Press

Two women embraced outside Rancho Tehama Elementary School, where two students were among the 10 people injured in Tuesday's shooting rampage.

CONGRESS

Shooting altered lives, not views

Targeted lawmakers say incident bolstered their support of gun rights

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WASHINGTON — Austin Rep. Roger Williams awoke to the sounds of gunshots down the hallway of his Washington

apartment building on a recent fall night.

He waited, his heart racing, certain that authorities would soon arrive.

They didn't. It was just a dream.

Five months after a gunman opened fire on a group of House Republicans during

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NATION

GOP adds Obamacare item to tax plan

Senate Republicans want to repeal the requirement that most people have health insurance as part of their proposed overhaul of the tax code. **5A**

WORLD

Britain, Spain allege vote meddling

Britain and Spain allege that Russian hackers meddled in recent elections, sometimes with support of the government, and pledge to take steps to address the problem. **15A**

METRO & STATE

Dallas council OKs pay settlement

The Dallas City Council unanimously approves a \$61.7 million settlement for four of six long-running back pay lawsuits filed by police and firefighters. **1B**

Plan would add security on DART

Riders could expect a "uniformed presence" on every DART train by March if the transit authority approves a new plan. **1B**

Also: A fired prosecutor talks about her Uber experience, apologizes. **1B**

SPORTSDAY

Romo credited for graceful exit

One year ago, Tony Romo made an eloquent concession speech that ensured a smooth hand-off to Dak Prescott as the Cowboys quarterback, David Moore writes. **1C**

BUSINESS

American adding Iceland route

American Airlines is the latest carrier to announce plans to carry passengers from North Texas to Iceland, which has become a popular tourist destination. **1D**

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3 Siblings. Only 1 Dinner

All over North Texas, hard-working families are coming up short on food and having to make tough choices. The good news? Every dollar donated to the North Texas Food Bank provides three nutritious meals to hungry kids, families, and seniors. Because dinner is one thing kids shouldn't have to share.

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